

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A mirror assembly for viewing a child sitting is in a rear-facing child seat positioned on a vehicle seat having a seat back, with a front surface, and a head rest, with a front surface, being interconnected to each other by at least one support bar positioning the front surface of seat back and front surface of the head rest apart from one another with a gap therebetween, comprising:

a base plate having a left edge and a right edge and a rear surface removably connected to the head rest; the rear surface of the base plate being in communication with the front surface of the seat back and the front surface of head rest and spanning across the gap between the seat back and the head rest;

a mirror housing adjustably connected to the base; base;

a mirror attached to the mirror housing;

a left fastening strap, having an inner end and an outer end; the inner end of the left fastening strap being connected to the left edge of the base plate;

a right fastening strap, having an inner end and an outer end; the inner end of the right fastening strap being connected to the right edge of the base plate; and

the left fastening strap and the right fastening strap being routable about the at least one support bar; the outer end of the left fastening strap and the outer

end of the right fastening strap being removably connected to one another  
thereby securing the base plate in communication with the front surface of the  
seat back and the front surface of the head rest.

2. (canceled)
3. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of Claim 1, further comprising:  
~~a fastening strap extending from the base plate, the fastening strap having a first end and an opposing second end for looping the strap around the head rest; and~~  
~~a connector means for coupling the first and second ends of the strap together.~~  
~~connector means for removably coupling the outer end of the first strap and the outer end of the second strap.~~
4. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 1, wherein the mirror housing and the mirror are circular-shaped, and the base plate is circular-shaped.
5. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 1, wherein the mirror housing and the mirror are square-shaped, and the base plate is square-shaped.
6. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 1, wherein the mirror housing and the mirror are octagonal-shaped, and the base plate is square-shaped.

7. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 1, wherein the mirror housing and the mirror are rectangular-shaped, and the base plate is square-shaped.
8. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 1, wherein the mirror housing and the mirror are circular-shaped, and the base plate is square-shaped.
9. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 1, further comprising a foam pad adhered to a the rear surface of the base plate.
10. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 1, further comprising:  
a middle fastening strap portion interconnecting the first strap and the second strap to provide a unitary elongated strap member; wherein the base plate comprises including multiple slots therein for inserting receiving the middle fastening strap portion therethrough.
11. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 4 3, wherein the connector means comprises a slotted buckle.
12. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 4 3, wherein the connector means comprises male and female connectors.
13. (currently amended) The mirror assembly of claim 4 3, wherein the connector means comprises fastening hooks and loops.
14. (canceled)